In response to the Final Office Action, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

## **AMENDMENTS**

Please amend the application as follows:

## In the claims:

Please cancel claims 45 – 46.

Please add the following new claims:

48. (New) The method according to claim 47/wherein the candidate compound inhibits HMGI biological activity in the amount of at least 10%

49. (New) The method according to claim 48, wherein the candidate compound inhibits HMGI biological activity in the amount of at least 25%.